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Summer 2022

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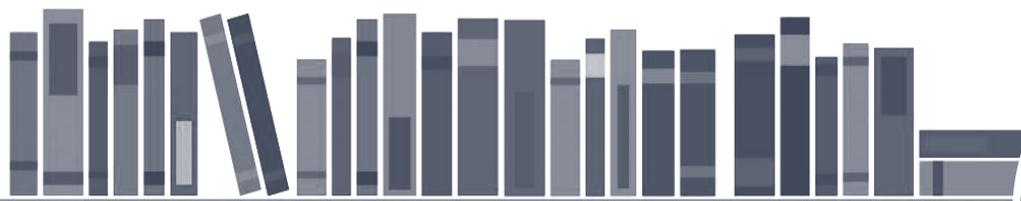


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POSSIBILITIES

Summer Fun @ Your Library
JUNE 1—AUGUST 13, 2022

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For more information see page 4.



FROM THE DIRECTOR'S SHELF

YOUR LIBRARY IS MORE THAN 'JUST BOOKS'

The first thing that comes to mind when you think of a library is most likely books. And we certainly have plenty of those! We currently have over 259,000 books in print and 206,000 e-books available to library cardholders. Traditional literacy through books that open worlds and connect us to one another continues to be the foundation of library services, but books are only half of the library story.

It's the story of students who don't have internet at home and need to do homework, the unemployed who need to create a resume and fill out job applications online, and the entrepreneur working to start and run a small business.

It's the story of seniors who want to stay connected to family and friends, job seekers who need to brush up on their computer skills, and parents seeking resources for their children.

It's the story of soon-to-be travelers who want to learn a new language, students and tutors who need a quiet space to interact, the individual seeking credible medical resources to learn about a recent diagnosis, and the out-of-town visitor seeking local information and directions.

Libraries will always be about books, but it's books and...

Books and... Internet computers and WiFi

Books and... Private study rooms and collaborative meeting spaces

Books and... Computer classes and individualized technology assistance

Books and... Genealogy and local history resources

Books and... Homebound delivery services

Books and... Trusted online databases and training tools

Books and... Early childhood literacy activities and resources

Books and... Intergenerational and cultural events

AND...

While the first image of a library will continue to be that of words, pages, and book-lined shelves, the true library story is about the interpersonal experience, pride, and accomplishment of all who visit. The public library is the only place that supports lifelong learning from cradle to grave. Whatever your need, we hope you will let us be part of your story.

- Trina Rushing, Library Director



SIGN UP FOR EMAIL ALERTS FROM THE LIBRARY TO...

-  Find out about upcoming events
-  Receive a digital copy of the quarterly newsletter
-  Be the first in line for new titles with weekly Wowbrary newsletters

TO SIGN UP...

- Visit our website
- Click the tab 'Using Your Library' and select 'Email Alerts'



Check out our Vimeo channel for video tutorials on using library resources and monthly news in The Henderson County Bookworm podcast.

<https://vimeo.com/channels/1733219>

SPOTLIGHT ON NEW STAFF

LIBRARY LOCATIONS

Main Library

301 N Washington Street
Hendersonville, NC 28739
828-697-4725
Mon-Thu 9am-7pm
Fri & Sat 9am-5pm

Edneyville Branch

2 Firehouse Road
Hendersonville, NC 28792
828-685-0110
Mon 9am-6pm
Tue & Wed 9am-5pm
Fri 9am-3pm

Etowah Branch

101 Brickyard Road
Etowah, NC 28729
828-891-6577
Mon 9am-6pm
Tue-Thu 9am-5pm
Fri & Sat 9am-3pm

Fletcher Branch

120 Library Road
Fletcher, NC 28732
828-687-1218
Mon 9am-6pm
Tue-Thu 9am-5pm
Fri & Sat 9am-3pm

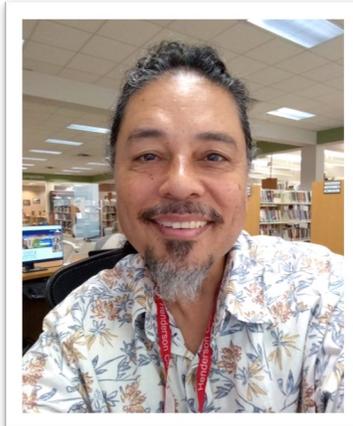
Green River Branch

50 Green River Road
Zirconia, NC 28790
828-697-4969
Mon 9am-6pm
Wed & Thu 9am-5pm
Fri 9am-3pm

Mills River Branch

124 Town Center Drive
Mills River, NC 28759
828-890-1850
Mon 9am-6pm
Tue-Thu 9am-5pm
Fri 9am-3pm

Tony Robles, Library Assistant



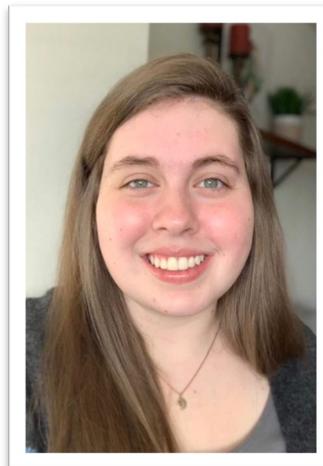
Tony Robles is a poet and writer living in Hendersonville. His two books of poetry include, *Cool Don't Live Here No More--A letter to San Francisco* and *Fingerprints of a Hunger Strike*. He was named the Carl Sandburg Writer in Residence in 2020. His children's book, *Lakas and the Manilatown*

Fish is among the titles included in the library children's collection. He is currently an MFA candidate in creative writing at Vermont College of Fine Arts. A two time Pushcart Prize nominee, Tony is in his element working at the library. "It is a dream job for me, an honor and a privilege. I couldn't be happier," says Tony, who is working on a novel and collection of poetry about thrift stores in Hendersonville.

Juliet Lambert, Library Assistant

Juliet Lambert discovered a love of libraries at a young age when her grandparents took her to visit the local public library. While completing her undergraduate degree in Graphic Communications, she had an opportunity to work in the college library and knew then she wanted to pursue a career in librarianship. Juliet previously worked as an auxiliary library staff member and is excited to join the Circulation team at the Main Library as a full-time employee.

Congratulations to Juliet for recently completing her Master in Library Science degree. Juliet graduated in May from Appalachian State University.



Library Holding pattern by Tony Robles

Hold that book
for me

No, this isn't
a hold up

But I've held my
breath, my tongue long
enough and I want to live

I need
that book of dreams
that book of nightmares
that book that can
fix me

I'm on the ledge of
the hold shelf and I'm
on the edge, ready to
jump, float, fall heavy
into a poem

or in the spread
open pages of a love
story

Don't try to talk
me out of jumping, just
let me leap backwards
into the margin of my own
errors and breathe words
that will make it right

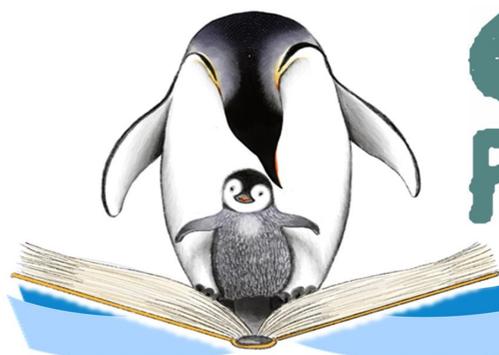
I need you to hold that
book for me because I've
held my breath for so long
and I'm holding on and
now I'm ready to breathe

Please hold that
book for me

it's a life preserver,
a bullet proof vest
a window made of shattered
honey and butterflies wings

it's the way out of
a straitjacket

holding me together
like butterflies wings.



OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES



SUMMER FUN @ YOUR LIBRARY!

Join us for *Oceans of Possibilities* this summer at the Henderson County Public Library! We have a schedule full of programs for children, teens, and adults with lots of chances to win prizes. To get started, pick up your activity card (preschool) or reading card (children, teens, and adults) from your local library.

Don't want to wait for a visit to the library to get started? You can create an online account through ReadSquared starting June 1st! Go to <http://hendolibrary.readsquared.com> to begin tracking the time you spend reading with bonus mini-games, badges, and more. You can also print your activity card or reading card directly from the library's website— www.hendersoncountync.gov/library.



WHEN DOES IT START?

You can pick up your reading card starting Wednesday, June 1, 2022! But don't forget to join us for our big Summer Reading Kickoff event on Thursday, June 9th at 2pm. We will be hosting Mary Alice Monroe's pre-publication launch party of her new book, *The Islanders: Search for Treasure*. This event requires registration through our online calendar. The first 80 registered youth (grades K-8) who come to the program will receive a copy of the book and a journal.



CAN MY WHOLE FAMILY PARTICIPATE IN SUMMER READING?

Of course! We will have cards for all ages: preschool, elementary, teens, and adults. We want everyone to have fun reading this summer! Just make sure you pick the card created for your age group.



HOW CAN I WIN PRIZES?

Kids + Teens: Turn in your completed card by August 13th for a free book AND a chance to win the grand prize for your age group.

Adults: Turn in your completed card by August 13th for a chance to win the grand prize.



WHAT IS THE GRAND PRIZE FOR EACH AGE GROUP?

Preschool Prize: Pout-Pout Fish Book & Plush + Submarine Adventure Duplo Set

Elementary Prize: Ocean Light Projector + Narwhal and Jelly Book & Plushies + Ocean Lego Set

Teen Prize: Prize Bag + \$75 Gift Card for Barnes & Noble

Adult Prize: Gift Bag + \$75 Gift Card for Barnes & Noble



WHAT IF I WANT MORE CHANCES TO WIN?

Every sheet holds two cards. Complete the additional card on the bottom for an extra chance to win. Make sure everything is turned in by Saturday, August 13th to be eligible to win the grand prize!



SUMMER READING AT THE LIBRARY ENCOURAGES EVERYONE TO GET EXCITED ABOUT READING. WE WANT TO KEEP STUDENTS AND FAMILIES ENGAGED WITH READING AND LEARNING OVER THE SUMMER BREAK SO THEY CAN BE SUCCESSFUL IN SCHOOL AND IN LIFE.

The "summer slide" is the loss of academic skills that occurs when students are not in school during summer break. Students who don't read over the summer can have a two-year lag in reading achievement by the time they reach middle school compared to children who do continue reading during the summer.

Learn more at <https://www.scholastic.com/readingreport/summer.html>



Hora de Cuentos Bilingüe

BILINGUAL STORYTIMES

AT ETOWAH & EDNEYVILLE LIBRARIES

Join us for stories & songs in Spanish and English!

¡Únete a nosotros para disfrutar de cuentos y canciones en español e inglés!

ETOWAH

Saturdays at 10am
sábados a las 10am

June 4 (4 de junio)
July 16 (16 de julio)
August 27 (27 de Agosto)

EDNEYVILLE

Mondays at 10am
los lunes a las 10am

June 20 (20 de junio)
July 18 (18 de julio)
August 15 (15 de Agosto)



SONGS FOR A SUMMER EVENING WITH TOM FISCH

Wednesday, July 20 at 5:30pm
Main Library Kaplan Auditorium

Welcome back live music to the library with a performance by local favorite Tom Fisch. A lifelong music lover of all genres, Tom is an accomplished musician and songwriter. Wherever he performs, audiences continue to connect with the warm, appealing style, diverse range of material and talent this seasoned performer brings to the stage.

B-RAD
THE MAGICAL BUCCANEER

It's a magical adventure with Captain B-Rad sailing the high seas. Get ready for some swashbuckling fun!

FRIDAY, JUNE 10
11AM Fletcher Library
2PM Main Library (Kaplan)

Hobey Ford's Golden Rod Puppets
SEA SONG

THU., JULY 7
10AM Mills River Library
3PM Main Library (Child. Aud.)

Join us for the story of a boy discovering nature for the first time through a fascination with the life cycle of the sea turtle.

FOR THOSE WHO LOVE SPIDERS, SNAKES, AND OTHER CREEPY CRAWLY CREATURES...

FRI., JULY 8
11AM Fletcher Library
2PM Main Library (Kaplan)

Critter Keeper

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Friends of the Henderson County Public Library supports all county library locations by delivering a wide range of services that enrich and transform the lives of Henderson County citizens of all ages.

FOL BOARD

CARLA THOMPSON
President

JUNE ROSTETTER
Vice President

OPEN
Treasurer

ELSA KEISER
Secretary

BILL RAMSEY
Past FOL President

BECOME A FRIEND

New members are always welcome and we invite you to join today!

Members receive a 10% discount on purchases at the Bookstore.

Membership costs are:
Individual – \$10 per year
Family – \$15 per year

The Friends of The Henderson County Public Library is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, so your membership and donations are tax-deductible.

You can join the Friends of the Library at the bookstore during normal hours.

Questions? Email the FOL at membership@friendsofthehcpl.org

WEBSITE

fotl.info



A Note from FOL President, Carla Thompson

Many times, we think of the purpose of the Friends of the Library Bookstore too simplistically. Yes, we raise money for our library system, but that is only a part of what we do.

Equally as important is that we promote literacy in our community. By putting affordable, and varied reading and other entertainment materials into the hands of the reading public in Henderson County, we broaden and deepen the literacy of those that enjoy them.

Our mission at the Friends only happens because of three very important groups of people. There would be no bookstore without the thousands of books that are donated to us by the citizens of Henderson County. We could never thank you enough for your generosity!

Also critical are our volunteers who make the magic happen by sorting, shelving and helping patrons find the books that interest them.

And lastly, but most importantly, are our bookstore patrons, who support us by shopping and purchasing items every day. We are succeeding because of you! Thanks to you all!

PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY FOL

In the last quarter, the Friends have supported the library with funds to purchase books for the library collection and new Zoom Passes, as well as to present Chimney Rock Park Programs, Family Book Club, Teen Book Club, and Adult Craft Programs.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

NEW RELEASES

Thanks to our incredible book donations, we're happy to offer our New Releases section to our shoppers. In the Bookstore's lobby area, you'll find 2021 and 2022 practically new selections. You may find the very same title, on display at B&N for \$30+, on our shelf for \$5! They sell as fast as we put them on the shelves, so hurry up - come see us at the Bookstore!!!!



BEACH READS

It's vacation time! Are you planning a trip to the beach? Come shop for your Beach Reads at the FOL Bookstore! Light reading is great when you're sitting in your lounge chair in the sand. We have Paperbacks for \$1 and Hardbacks prices range from \$1-5. We have authors that we'd like to recommend for your reading pleasure.

For Fiction readers, try...

Kristin Hannah	Cecelia Ahern
Anita Shreve	Dorothea Benton Frank
Mary Kay Andrews	Liane Moriarty
Jodi Picoult	Elin Hilderbrand
Jojo Moyes	Jennifer Weiner

For a great Mystery, try...

Alexander McCall Smith	Agatha Christie
Jacqueline Winspear	Elizabeth Peters
Lilian Jackson Braun	



PUZZLES, PUZZLES, & MORE PUZZLES!

Did you get hooked on jigsaw puzzles while we were all staying home during Covid? We sure did! As a result, we now sell them at the Bookstore. We have quality 300, 500, 750, 1000 and sometimes 1500 and 2000 piece, gently used jigsaw puzzles. Occasionally we even have children's puzzles. We have White Mountain, Cobble Hills, Springbok, Buffalo and other quality puzzle brands. We make sure that each puzzle is complete before we place it for sale. Prices range from \$2-5. Come pick out a few puzzles!!!



FOL BOOKSTORE

1940 Spartanburg Hwy
Hendersonville, NC 28792
(next to Dollar General)

828-513-5115
bookstore@fotl.info

HOURS

Tuesday, Thursday,
& Saturday
12-4pm

DONATIONS

Thank you for your donations to the Bookstore! Donations are accepted at the FOL Bookstore during regular hours of operation.

We accept the following items:

- Hardcover Fiction & Nonfiction
- Paperback Fiction
- Cookbooks
- Leather bound books
- Oversized books
- Religious books
- Dictionaries & Reference books
- Foreign language books
- Children's books
- Young Adult books
- Large Print books
- Travel, Computer, or Medical books less than 5 years old
- Classics
- DVDs
- Book Sets (except encyclopedias)
- Rare, Antiquarian books

We DO NOT accept:

- Dirty or damaged books
- Books with broken spines
- Encyclopedias
- Magazines
- Albums, VHS, or Cassette Tapes

NEW DVD SERIES NOW AVAILABLE

Sentimental Productions specializes in producing entertaining videos that capture the heritage, culture, and music of America.

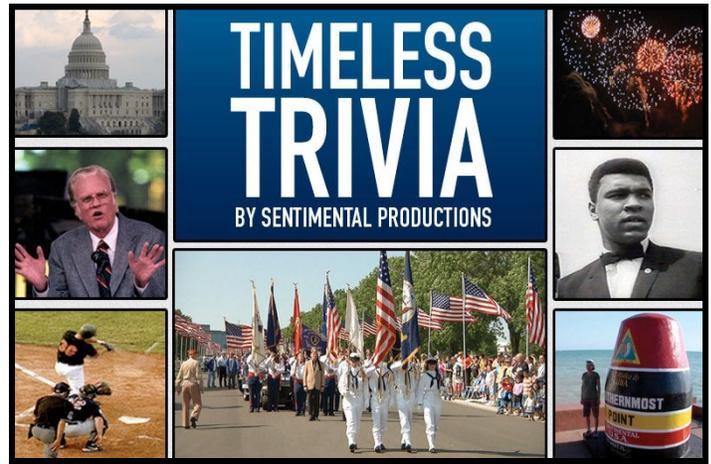
Timeless Trivia includes film clips, advertising, and photographs to support information and trivia questions on specific topics, such as The Space Race, The Old West, Cartoons and Comics, and United States Presidents.

Sentimental Serenity is a travel series of areas in different regions of the United States. These DVDs blend nature scenes with descriptive narrative and music and can be viewed as a travelogue or a relaxation video.

For those who enjoy singing, try the *Sentimental Sing-along* series which features patriotic songs, folk songs, and popular music from early twentieth century America.

All videos in this collection have public performance rights and can be shown to groups in care centers, senior living communities, and private homes. Try viewing these as a family to learn more about the history, culture, and geography of the United States.

- Sarah Hudson, AV & Programming Librarian



ART EXHIBITS AT THE MAIN LIBRARY

In the Frame... Beginning July 1st a new exhibit by members of the Art League of Henderson County will go up on the Main Library Art Wall.

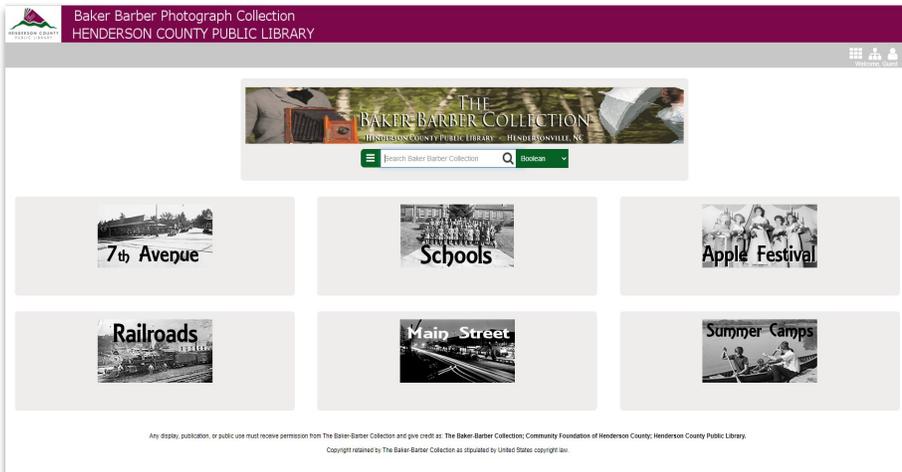
In the Case... Beginning the first week in June, a new set of wood cut outs by artist Irwin Weinberger will go on display in the Exhibit Case at the Main Library. If you don't know where the case is located please ask - not only are these cut outs beautiful, they have a story to tell!



BAKER-BARBER COLLECTION

The Baker-Barber Collection chronicles the history of Western North Carolina from 1884 to the mid-1990s. Much more than just a collection of old photographs, it documents places, events, and records growth in and around Henderson County, including photographs of urbanization, transportation, recreation, tourism, family life, business, news, events, and many portraits of area residents.

Through a generous grant from Mr. Jody Barber to the Community Foundation of Henderson County, the Library proudly invites you to witness the pictorial history and evolution of Hendersonville and Western North Carolina through the camera lens.



In June the library will debut a new platform for hosting the Baker-Barber Photograph Collection. This new website will allow patrons to search for images just as on the previous website while also providing easier browsing of popular topics. The new website will be accessed in the same way as the old website through the library's Genealogy and Local History page found under the 'Resources' tab on the library website.

- *Mark Burdette, Reference & Special Collections Librarian*



If you or someone you know needs help learning computer basics, **FREE** classes are offered at the Main Library and Fletcher Library. These sessions are geared toward computer beginners and are open to anyone. Call your preferred location for more information and to sign up.

MAIN LIBRARY

Call 828-697-4725 to register.

NC DIGITAL LIBRARY & KINDLE
Thursday, June 2 @ 2pm

COMPUTER/INTERNET BASICS
Thursday, June 16 @ 2pm

CREATE AN EMAIL ACCOUNT
Thursday, June 23 @ 2pm

WORD BASICS
Thursday, June 30 @ 2pm

INTRO TO EXCEL
Thursday, July 14 @ 2pm

EXCEL EXTRAS
Thursday, July 21 @ 2pm

POWER POINT BASICS
Thursday, July 28 @ 2pm

COMPUTER/ INTERNET BASICS
Thursday, Aug. 11 @ 2pm

CREATE AN EMAIL ACCOUNT
Thursday, Aug. 18 @ 2pm

SOCIAL MEDIA
Thursday, Aug. 25 @ 2pm

FLETCHER LIBRARY

Call 828-687-1218 to register.

NC CARDINAL
Monday, June 20 @ 4:30pm

LIBBY & HOOPLA
Monday, July 18 @ 4:30pm

LIBBY & KINDLE
Thursday, Aug. 15 @ 4:30pm

LOCAL AUTHOR VISITS AT THE LIBRARY



TUESDAY,
JUNE 21
2:00PM
MAIN (KAPLAN)

Rose Senehi

A discussion of her latest novel, ***Falling Off A Cliff: The Story Of A Mountain Nurse***. Two women, a generation apart and from two different worlds, are driven by a passion to heal. Will one have her innocence shattered and the other be forever haunted by an unanswered mystery?



TUESDAY,
AUG 9
2:00PM
MAIN (KAPLAN)

Ruthie Rosauer

A discussion of her latest book, ***Nursing Home 101: A Daughters Perspective***. Ruthie and her sister found out from a hospital social worker that they had 24 hours to find a healthcare facility for their elderly mother. She presents the results of her search, experience, and research in her book.

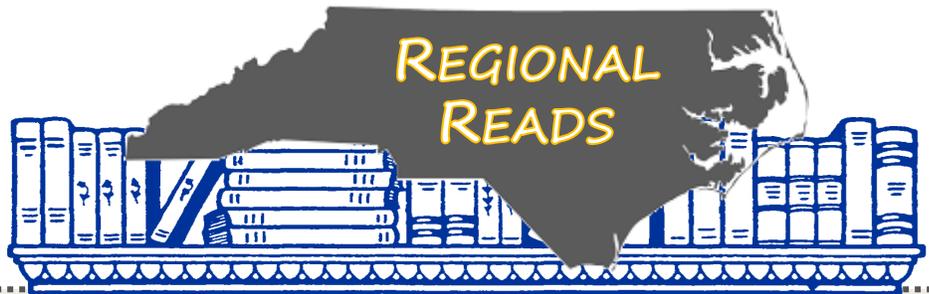


WEDNESDAY,
AUG 24
2:00PM
ETOWAH

Mark de Castrique

A discussion of how he gets story ideas (for his 21 books) and how personal history can be turned into mystery, including the people and places of Henderson County. There will be a Q&A session afterwards.

***Registration Required** by calling the Etowah Library at 828-891-6577



This column features recent and forthcoming titles from local authors or books set in the region. Place any of these titles on hold online or call any Henderson County library for assistance.

Looking for a summer read set in North Carolina? A popular North Carolina advice columnist experiences her own relationship troubles in [*If You Ask Me*](#) by Libby Hubscher.

Emily Henry's newest book, [*Book Lovers*](#), follows a literary agent on a sister's trip to a small town in North Carolina.

If you missed North Carolina author Kristy Woodson Harvey speak at the library in April, you can still check out her newest book [*The Wedding Veil*](#), where Harvey explores what could have happened to a real-life missing Vanderbilt heirloom.

In a new historical fiction title, [*The Lost Book of Eleanor Dare*](#), author Kimberly Brock takes a new look at what really happened to the Lost Colony of Roanoke.

For a gritty murder mystery set in rural North Carolina check out debut author Scott Blackburn's [*It Dies With You*](#).

In [*The Violin Conspiracy*](#) by debut author Brendan Slocumb, a young Black classical musician faces challenges growing up in rural North Carolina and is thrown into a mystery when the Stradivarius violin inherited from his great-great-grandfather is stolen.

In the newest book in the Riverbend Romance series by Denise Hunter, [*Mulberry Hollow*](#), a small-town doctor meets someone new when an Appalachian Trail hiker becomes ill on the trail.

For fans of cozy mysteries, the latest book in the Secret, Book, & Scone Society series by Ellery Adams, [*The Vanishing Type*](#), finds bookstore owner Nora Pennington tackling another mystery in Miracle Springs.

Asheville author and book club favorite Terry Roberts has a new novel out in July. Set in Asheville during the Great Depression, [*The Sky Club*](#) follows a woman who must create a new life for herself after the death of her mother.

Also out in July is local author Megan Miranda's newest thriller [*The Last to Vanish*](#). Promising to be a twisty and suspenseful read, *The Last to Vanish* is set in a small North Carolina mountain town where a string of unsolved disappearances haunts the locals.

In nonfiction, Corban Addison shares the story of the residents of a small North Carolina town who filed a lawsuit against the corporation whose large-scale farming created pollution and problems for years in [*Wastelands: The True Story of Farm Country on Trial*](#).

Happy Reading!

- Lisa Donaldson, Assistant Director & Marketing Librarian



TAB

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

We've reached the end of another school year, which means we have to say goodbye to our 2022 Teen Advisory Board graduates.

Congratulations to...
Hailey Kasney
Nicole Cid-Hernandez
Noah Shumway

Hailey, Nicole, and Noah served for a combined **SEVEN YEARS** of Board Membership and we will miss them in our monthly meetings!

This means we have openings for creative, energetic, and responsible teens in 9th-12th grades. Want to make a difference in teen programming at the library? Want to earn volunteer hours? Want to meet new people? Join TAB! Applications can be found at any branch library or on our website.

The Henderson County Public Library is excited to announce the opening of the first permanent Story Trail in Henderson County! Located at Kate's & Pete's Park in the heart of Fletcher, this Story Trail was made possible through collaboration with Smart Start Partnership for Children, the Town of Fletcher Parks and Recreation, and funding from the Community Foundation of Henderson County.

What is a Story Trail? A Story Trail is a deconstructed book presented page by page along a trail with fun extension activities and literacy tips. Walking a Story Trail is a great way for families to encourage literacy and spend quality time together while reading, exercising, and enjoying our local parks!

Our first story is *Bear Wants More* by Karma Wilson. The story will be changed quarterly so we encourage families to visit again and again!



IN THE COMMUNITY

Library staff have recently participated in several community events. Staff attended the Fletcher Art in the Park event presented by the Children and Family Resource Center, the Swing Into Spring Active Aging event at the Blue Ridge Mall presented by Aging Projects, Inc., and the Etowah Lions Club Farmers Market. Library staff have also been busy visiting local schools to be sure students know about the Summer Reading program.



Homebound Services staff Candis Killam and Megan Dillin shared information about library services for seniors at the Aging Projects, Inc. Swing Into Spring event.

Farewell to two Library Board of Trustees Members...

Members of the Library Board of Trustees serve 3-year terms and volunteer their time and energy to advise strategic planning, policy review, and programs and services that will best meet community needs. This June we bid farewell to two individuals who were appointed to the Board mid-term and continued to serve two full consecutive terms, for a total of 7 years.

Katie Winkler served as both vice-chair and secretary during her tenure. She was a strong advocate for equality and inclusiveness in library collections and services across the county. She actively engaged in board discussions, promoted library services throughout the community, and served on several committees to review policy and draft correspondence.

As a former library director, **Susan Williams** was a supporter of the library long before joining the Board. She served as a valuable source of institutional knowledge and contributed her ideas and expertise to board discussions and policy reviews.



Katie Winkler (left) and Susan Williams (right)

Thank you, Katie and Susan, for years of dedication and support to the library!

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Jean McGrady, Chair

Katie Winkler, Vice-Chair

Noreen Quinn, Secretary

Carla Thompson, FOL President

Rebecca McCall, Commissioner

Susan Williams

Bill Ramsey

Michael Absher

Celeste Mayes

Thank you to those who have donated:

Carolyn Weidner
(in memory of Helen Greer Weaver)

Mary & Ellery Aldrich

DONATING FUNDS TO PURCHASE ITEMS FOR THE LIBRARY IS A WONDERFUL WAY TO IMPACT YOUR COMMUNITY.

The name of any individual receiving an aggregate of \$500 in memorial gifts will be added to a plaque in the Main Library. In addition, the name of any individual who donated \$500 or more to the library will be added to a plaque at Main.

Visit our website (click the 'About Your Library' tab) or call 828-697-4725, option 3 for more details.

Holiday Hours for the Library:

INDEPENDENCE DAY Closed Monday, July 4

LABOR DAY Closed Monday, September 5



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Stay Connected!



@HendersonCountyNCGovernment



SUMMER PROGRAMMING @ THE MAIN LIBRARY

STORYTIMES (JUNE - JULY 28):

Preschool Storytime (3-5 years) – Tuesdays @ 10:30am (Main Library, Children's Aud.)

Toddler Storytime (18 months-3 years) – Wednesdays @ 10:30am (Main Library, Children's Aud.)

Music and Movement (families welcome) – Thursdays @ 10:30am (Main Library, Children's Aud.)

Bouncing Babies (birth-18 months + caregiver) – Thursdays @ 11:15am (Main Library, Children's Aud.)

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS:

***PAWS for Reading** – Sat., June 11, July 9, & Aug 13 10:30-11:30am & 1:30-2:30pm (Main Library, Children's Aud.)
Sign up for a 15-minute reading session with a therapy dog by calling the Main Library at 697-4725, option 5

***Author Mary Alice Monroe** – Thursday, June 9 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.) (Register Online)

B-Rad the Buccaneer – Friday, June 10 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

Bright Star Theatre: The Little Mermaid – Friday, June 17 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

***Ocean Explorer with Zaniac** – Friday, June 24 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.) (Register Online)

Sea Song (Hobey Ford's Golden Rod Puppets) – Thursday, July 7 @ 3pm (Main Library, Children's Aud.)

Critter Keeper – Friday, July 8 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

Porkchop Productions – Friday, July 15 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

Family Book Club (Grades K-5) – Tuesday, July 19 @ 4pm (Main Library, Children's Aud.)

Beginning June 20th, pick up your copy of *Song for a Whale* by Lynne Kelly at the Youth Services Desk

Soap Bubble Circus – Friday, July 22 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

The Musical Mama & Her Band Jazzville – Tuesday, July 26 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

TEEN PROGRAMS:

Teen Advisory Board (Grades 9-12) – First Thursday @ 4pm (Main Library, Learning Lab)

Teen Craft Time (Grades 6-12) – Thu., June 9 & 23; July 28 @ 3pm (Main Library, Children's Aud.)

Teen Book Club (Grades 9-12) – Thursday, July 14 @ 4pm (Main Library, Learning Lab)

Beginning June 13th, pick up your copy of *House of Salt and Sorrows* by Erin A. Craig at the Youth Services Desk

Teen Anime Club (Grades 6-12) – Thu., June 16, July 21, & August 18 @ 4pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

ADULT PROGRAMS:

Apple Interest Group – First Tuesday @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

Movie Matinee: Jaws – Thursday, June 2 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

***Page Turners Book Club** – Thursday, June 9 @ 2pm (Main Library, Learning Lab) (Register Online)

***PTSD: Invisible Scars (VAYA)** – Tuesday, June 14 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.) (Register Online)

Movie Matinee: American Underdog – Wednesday, June 15 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

Author Rose Senehi – Tuesday, June 21 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

Movie Matinee: Encanto – Thursday, July 7 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

***Anxiety: Calming the Anxious Mind (VAYA)** – Tuesday, July 12 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.) (Register Online)

Songs for a Summer Evening with Tom Fisch – Wednesday, July 20 @ 5:30pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

Movie Matinee: The 355 – Thursday, August 4 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

Author Ruthie Rosauer- Nursing Home 101: A Daughter's Perspective – Tue., Aug. 9 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)

***Page Turners Book Club** – Thursday, August 11 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.) (Register Online)

Titanic: Ship of Dreams Presentation (Dr. Melinda Ratchford) – Tuesday, August 23 @ 2pm (Main Library, Kaplan Aud.)



COMPUTER CLASSES: MAIN LIBRARY LEARNING LAB

Registration Required: Call 697-4725, option 3 or stop by the Service Desk to register.

***NC Digital Library & Kindle** – Thursday, June 2 @ 2pm

***Excel Extras** – Thursday, July 21 @ 2pm

***Computer & Internet Basics** – Thursday, June 16 @ 2pm

***Power Point Basics** – Thursday, July 28 @ 2pm

***Create an Email Account** – Thursday, June 23 @ 2pm

***Computer & Internet Basics** – Thursday, August 11 @ 2pm

***Word Basics** – Thursday, June 30 @ 2pm

***Create an Email Account** – Thursday, August 18 @ 2pm

***Introduction to Excel** – Thursday, July 14 @ 2pm

***Social Media** – Thursday, August 25 @ 2pm

SUMMER PROGRAMMING @ THE BRANCHES

EDNEYVILLE: Family Storytime – Mondays @ 10am (June-July 28)

Bilingual Family Storytime – Mondays: June 20, July 18, & August 15 @ 10am

Lego Club – Last Wednesday @ 3:30pm (Children)

Fiber Arts Connection – Second Tuesday @ 10am (Adults)

What We Read Book Review Group – First Friday @ 1pm (Adults)

Scales & Tales with Roper Mountain – Wednesday, June 15 @ 11am (Children)

*Ocean Explorer with Zaniac – Friday, June 24 @ 11am (Children) (Register by calling library)

Storyteller Mary Davis Gage – Wednesday, July 13 @ 2pm (Children)

ETOWAH: Family Storytime – Tuesdays @ 10am (June-July 28)

Bilingual Family Storytime – Saturdays: June 4, July 16, & August 27 @ 10am

*PAWS for Reading – Mon., June 13, July 11, & August 15 4-5pm (Register by calling library)

Lego Club – Second Thursday @ 3:30pm (Children)

In Stitches – Mondays @ 10am (Adults)

*The Ancestors Club – First Tuesday @ 2pm (Adults) (Register by calling library)

*Historical Fiction Book Club – Second Tuesday @ 2pm (Adults) (Register by calling library)

*Etowah Book Club – Third Wednesday @ 2:30pm (Adults) (Register online)

*History Talk: Nurses in World War II – Wednesday, June 8 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register by calling library)

*Summer Flowers and Gardening – Thursday, June 9 @ 10am (Adults) (Register by calling library)

*Teen Tiny Art Show – Thursday, June 16 @ 2pm (Teens) (Register online) (Can pick up kit beginning June 3rd)

*Mushroom Walk at Holmes Educational State Forest – Thursday, June 23 @ 10am (Adults) (Register by calling library)

Coastal Critters with Roper Mountain – Wednesday, June 29 @ 2pm (Children)

Porkchop Productions – Friday, July 15 @ 11am (Children)

*Hiking 101 (Conserving Carolina) – Thursday, July 21 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register by calling library)

Bright Star Theatre: The Little Mermaid – Wednesday, July 27 @ 10am (Children)

*Ocean Explorer with Zaniac – Wednesday, August 10 @ 2pm (Children) (Register by calling library)

*It's About Thyme, Plus Parsley, Sage, & Other Herb Friends – Thu., August 18 @ 10am (Adults) (Register by calling library)

*Author Mark de Castrique – Wednesday, August 24 @ 2pm (Adults) (Register by calling library)

FLETCHER: Family Storytime – Wednesdays @ 10:30am (June-July 28)

Lego Club – First Thursday @ 3:30pm (Children)

*Check 'Em Out Book Club – Second Monday @ 4pm (Adults) (Register by calling library)

Craft Day – Second Tuesday; Drop in 10am-4pm (All Ages)

Book Review Book Club – Second Thursday @ 10:30am (Adults)

Knitting for a Cause – Second Saturday @ 10am (Adults)

*Basic Technology Classes – Third Monday @ 4:30pm (Adults) (Register by calling library)

*French Club – Thu., June 9, 16, 23, & 30 @ 3:30pm (Ages 5-12) (Register by calling library)

B-Rad the Magical Buccaneer – Friday, June 10 @ 11am (Children)

*Soft Skills Workshop (BRCC) – Tuesday, June 14 @ 3pm (Teens) (Register by calling library)

*Drabble Forms & Author Reading (Arlene Hemingway) – Friday, June 24 @ 11am (Adults) (Register by calling library)

Critter Keeper – Friday, July 8 @ 11am (Children)

*The 10 Essentials of Hiking (Chimney Rock) – Monday, July 11 @ 1pm (All Ages) (Register by calling library)

*Homeschool Parent Information Night (BRCC) – Tuesday, July 12 @ 3pm (Teens & Parents) (Register by calling library)

*Ocean Explorer with Zaniac – Thursday, July 14 @ 2pm (Children) (Register by calling library)

Coffee with Fletcher Police Chief Terry – Saturday, July 23 @ 9:30am (All Ages)

*Technology Boot Camp for Teens – July 25-28 @ 2pm (Ages 15-18) (Register by calling library)

*Knitting Class for Adults – Tuesday, August 9, 16, 23, & 30 @ 10:30am (Ages 15-18) (Register by calling library)

*Parent Information Night (BRCC) – Tuesday, August 9 @ 3pm (Teens & Parents) (Register by calling library)

GREEN RIVER: Family Storytime – Thursdays @ 10am (June-July 28)

YarnAbility – First Monday @ 4pm (Adults & Teens)

Craft Club – Third Monday; Drop in 9am-5:30pm (Children & Teens)

Coastal Critters with Roper Mountain – Wednesday, June 29 @ 11am (Children)

Storyteller Mary Davis Gage – Wednesday, July 13 @ 11am (Children)

*Ocean Explorer with Zaniac – Friday, July 29 @ 11am (Children) (Register by calling library)

MILLS RIVER: Family Storytime – Mondays @ 10am (June-July 28)

*PAWS for Reading – Tuesday, June 7 & 21 11am-12pm; Wednesdays (NOT first Wed.) 3:30-4:30pm (Call library to register)

Lego Club – First Wednesday @ 3:30pm (Children)

Knit and Crochet Group – Tuesdays @ 1pm (Adults)

Shelf Indulgence Book Club – First Tuesday @ 10am (Adults) (Register online)

Scales & Tales with Roper Mountain – Wednesday, June 15 @ 2pm (Children)

Bright Star Theatre: The Little Mermaid – Friday, June 17 @ 11am (Children)

*Terrific Tide Pools – Tuesday, July 5 @ 10:30am (Grades 1-5) (Register by calling library) (Park Pavilion)

Sea Song (Hobey Ford's Golden Rod Puppets) – Thursday, July 7 @ 10am (Children)

*Ocean Explorer with Zaniac – Thursday, July 14 @ 11am (Children) (Register by calling library)

Soap Bubble Circus – Friday, July 22 @ 11am (Children) (Park Pavilion)

*Summer Fun & Craft Day – Wednesday, July 27 @ 3pm (Grades K-5) (Register by calling library)

*Life is a Beach – Thursday, July 28 @ 10:30am (Teens) (Register by calling library)

